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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OREP (HAMILTON, LEE)
SUBJECT: CODEL HAMILTON

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1. POST WELCOMES VISIT OF CODEL HAMILTON AND HAS RESERVED
SEVEN DOUBLE ROOMS AT MERIDIEN HOTEL FOR NIGHT OF JULY 9.

2. OUR ONLY COMMENT ON PROPOSED ITINERARY IS NOTE OF
CAUTION THAT JULY 9 SHAPES UP TO BE A PARTICULARLY FULL DAY
FOR CODEL. ASSUMING APPROX 3-HOUR FLIGHT LUXOR-DAMASCUS
AND 30-45 MINUTE DRIVE FROM AIRPORT TO CITY, CODEL WILL
ARRIVE IN TIME FOR LATE MORNING MEETING WITH FONMIN KHADDAM
(ONE HOUR) FOLLOWED BY EARLY AFTERNOON MEETING WITH PRES.
ASSAD (1-2 HOURS). PRESIDENCY PRACTICE, HOWEVER, IS NOT TO
SET SPECIFIC TIME FOR MEETING, AND IT COULD SLIP TO LATER IN
AFTERNOON. CHARGE WOULD PLAN FLEXIBLE BUFFET LUNCH FOR
CODEL INCLUDING USAID OFFICERS AND OTHERS WITH WHOM CODEL
MAY WISH DISCUSS ASPECTS OF CURRENT U.S. - SYRIAN RELATIONS.
SIGHTSEEING/SHOPPING TOUR IN OLD CITY COULD BE ARRANGED

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FOR WIVES. UNDER MOST OPTIMISTIC CONDITIONS, EARLIEST
CODEL COULD REASONABLY EXPECT TO LEAVE DAMASCUS WOULD BE
1600-1700 AND THIS BY NO MEANS CERTAIN. IT WOULD MAKE
MORE SENSE FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW FOR CODEL TO MAKE AN
EARLY NIGHT OF IT JULY 9 IN DAMASCUS AND FLY TO BEIRUT FOR
MEETINGS EARLY JULY 10.

3. SINCE VISIT WILL TAKE PLACE IN MIDST OF PEOPLE'S COUNCIL ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN, WE DO NOT BELIEVE CALLS ON ITS LEADERS NEED BE INCLUDED IN SCHEDULE.

4. POST WOULD APPRECIATE ANY SUGGESTIONS AS TO THINGS WIVES WOULD LIKE TO DO OR SEE ON JULY 10 WHILE CONGRESSMEN ARE IN BEIRUT.

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